



## CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION

*By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution in the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, there is hereby officially recognized:*

### **PRIVATE SECURITY SERVICES WEEK**

**WHEREAS**, there are approximately 42,311 registered or certified individuals providing contract private security services including armored car personnel, couriers, armed and unarmed security officers, security canine handlers, private investigators, personal protection specialists, alarm respondents, central station dispatchers, electronic security sales representatives, electronic security technician's assistants and technicians; and

**WHEREAS**, there are over 1,455 licensed private security services businesses, 1,517 compliance agents, 108 certified private security training schools and 481 instructors; and

**WHEREAS**, contract and proprietary security professionals play a key role in homeland security and may be unexpectedly thrust into the role of first responder while providing physical and electronic security for financial institutions, businesses, shopping malls, hospitals, water treatment plants and governmental facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the private security services industry continues to provide a safe environment for citizens, businesses and visitors in Virginia;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Mark R. Warner, do hereby recognize October 24-28, 2005, as **PRIVATE SECURITY SERVICES WEEK** in the **COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA**, and I call this observance to the attention of all our citizens.



*Mark R. Warner*  
Governor

*Anita A. Rinker*  
Secretary of the Commonwealth